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KC MAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING METH

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for distributing methamphetamine.

Jose L. Rodarte, 43, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to five years and 10 months in federal prison without parole. **Rodarte** also was ordered to forfeit any proceeds derived from distributing methamphetamine, including approximately \$2,153.

On April 26, 2005, **Rodarte** pleaded guilty to distributing 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between Feb. 16 and 21, 2005.

Rodarte was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on March 2, 2005, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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